



## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING FOREIGN MATTER FROM FIBROUS MATERIAL**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

(1) was filed on 9/29/1998 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number 09/162,561 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendments referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 35, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or invention certificate filed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or invention certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Priority Application(s):

Priority Claimed

(1) Yes (2) No

(Name)

(Country)

(Date/Day/Year Filed)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, to the extent that each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application to the extent provided by the five paragraphs of Title 35, United States Code, § 119, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 35, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the earliest of PCT International Filing Date of this application.

(Application Number)

(Filing Date)

(Underpinned, pending, abandoned)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that such false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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